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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application for:

Steven Teig, et al.

Serial No.: 10/066,326

Filing Date: 1/31/02

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

PERFORMING EXTRACTION USING

A MODEL TRAINED WITH BAYESIAN INFERENCE VIA A MONTE CARLO METHOD Examiner: <none yet>

Group Art Unit: 2825

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The undersigned respectfully requests the patent Examiner to amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows before examining the patent application:

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